

DECISION NOTICE FOR: Fjelstad Pond

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED ACTION

Fjelstad Pond is located in Treasure County near Hysham, Montana. The pond is located on a small-unnamed tributary of Sarpy Creek of the Yellowstone River drainage. When full it has a maximum depth of eleven feet and is approximately 3 surface acres in size. The ponds water supply is from the adjacent Hysham Irrigation Ditch.

Fish stocking is proposed to provide a fishing opportunity in the rural area. Yellow perch (*Perca flavescens*) will be stocked and evaluated for survival, growth and contribution to the fishery.

PUBLIC PROCESS AND COMMENT

The draft EA was circulated for 30 days, and public notices were provided to all of the newspapers within Fish, Wildlife & Park's administrative Region Seven. No comments were received and no significant effects were found during this process.

DECISION

Based on the analysis in the Environmental Assessment (EA) and the applicable laws, regulations and policies, I have determined that this action will not have a significant effect on the natural or human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement will not be prepared.

It is my decision to implement the proposed action, and proceed with the work identified. By notification of this Decision Notice, the draft EA is hereby made the final EA without any modifications or additions. The final EA may be viewed at or obtained from Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks at the above address. Please direct any further requests or questions to Brad Schmitz, Region 7 Supervisor, or Vic Riggs, Region 7 Fish Manager.

Brad Schmitz	04/09/2010
Regional Supervisor	Date